

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): TRIPOD TYPE CONSTANT VELOCITY JOINT

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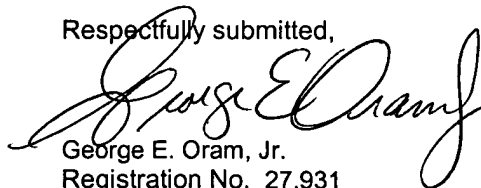
- ☒ 29 pages of Specification/Claims 1-20/Abstract are attached.
- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs). 1-19; 16 sheets are attached.
- ☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and _____ reference(s).
- ☐ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
- ☒ Priority of foreign application Nos. 2002-311433 filed October 25, 2002; 2002-328714 filed November 12, 2002, 2003-45955 filed February 24, 2003, all in Japan are claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- ☒ Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications are attached.

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BASIC FEE				\$ 385	OR		\$ 770
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INDEP CLAIMS	3 - 3	= 0	x 43 =	\$	OR	x 86	\$
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